

## STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

May 7, 2013

To: All Competitive Electricity Providers

Re: 2012 Annual Reports

THE PROCESS FOR FIILING CEP ANNUAL REPORTS HAS CHANGED – ALL REPORTS MUST BE FILED ELECTRONICALLY USING THE COMMISSION'S CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (CMS) IN THE ANNUAL REPORT MODULE AND NOT AS PART OF THE DOCKETED CASE AS IN PAST YEARS - INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING ARE PROVIDED AS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT

Maine's electric restructuring rules require that competitive electricity providers (CEPs) submit annual reports to the Maine Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. These reports allow us to monitor the progress of restructuring in Maine and verify that CEPs are complying with certain portions of Maine's rules. The reporting requirements are contained in Chapters 305, 306, and 311 of the Commission's rules, which can be accessed through our web site at <a href="https://www.maine.gov/mpuc">www.maine.gov/mpuc</a>.

The Annual Report consists of the Report (Word document) and seven attachments (one Excel document) available on our web page at http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/online/forms.shtml. By completing this report, with its attachments, CEPs will have met the Commission's reporting requirements. Aggregators and brokers are only required to answer Questions Nos. 2, 3, 6, 8, 12, 13 and 14. All other CEPs, including those providing Standard Offer Service, must fully complete the report including all attachments. The annual report for calendar year 2012 is due on July 1, 2013. The annual report is a public document. However, on May 7, 2013, the Presiding Officer issued a protective order in Docket No. 2013-00272 to allow confidential treatment of the average price paid for RECs. As this is a general protective order, no parties, including the filing party, will be able to access the information in the CMS. CEPs must file both a confidential and redacted version of the reports in CMS in order to receive the confidential treatment. If the information is included in the public version, the Commission will take the position that the CEP was comfortable with the information being released. To the extent that a CEP feels that the release of any other information asked for in the report would be harmful, it must file a request for protective treatment in Docket No. 2013-00272 specifying the information to be protected, reasons the protection would be warranted and the harm that would come from the release of the information. Consistent with Commission policy, information that is publicly available elsewhere is not eligible for protective treatment.

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CEPs, including aggregators and brokers, must file this report even if there were no transactions under its license in Maine during 2012. This allows us to track the activity in the state and assures us that CEPs have not neglected to file.

The Commission, by Order dated October 22, 2007, Docket No. 2007-391, *Maine Public Utilities Commission, Amendment to Portfolio Requirement Rule (Chapter 311)* amended the portfolio requirements to require that beginning in 2008 a specified percentage of electricity supply that serve Maine's consumers come from "new" renewable resources. In 2012, 5% of the resources must come from Class I resources. The Commission report has been amended to reflect this requirement. If you are making Alternative Compliance Payments to meet this requirement, please send your check that indicates the CEP name and the statement "2012 Alternative Compliance Payment" to the Commission. All checks should be made out to the "Treasurer State of Maine". If you wish to make payment by electronic transfer, please contact Laurie Latendresse at 207-287-5496 for the required information. Please note that there is not an Alternative Compliance Payment option for Class II RPS requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the reporting requirements or the filing process, please contact Lucretia A. Smith by phone at (207) 287-1383 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Lucretia.Smith@maine.gov">Lucretia.Smith@maine.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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